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## Algebra 1 - Tutorial 3

 Basic Training Cycle  
 Functions

### Exercise 1

Consider the function  $Day: E = \{\text{Days of the year 2024}\} \rightarrow F = \{\text{Saturday, Sunday, ..., Friday}\}$  that associates each date of the year 2024 with the corresponding day of the week. Is the  $Day$  function injective, surjective, or bijective?

### Exercise 2

Let  $E$ ,  $F$ , and  $G$  be the sets defined as follows:  $E = \{1, 2, 3\}$ ,  $F = \{A, B, C, D\}$ , and  $G = \{+, *\}$ .

- 1 Construct a function  $f_1 : E \rightarrow F$  that is injective, and then a function  $f_2 : E \rightarrow F$  that is non-injective. Can a surjective function from  $E$  to  $F$  be constructed?
- 2 Construct a function  $g_1 : F \rightarrow G$  that is surjective, and then a function  $g_2 : F \rightarrow G$  that is non-surjective. Can an injective function from  $F$  to  $G$  be constructed?

### Exercise 3

Are the following functions injective?

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| <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">1</span> $f : \begin{cases} \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ x \mapsto x^2 \end{cases}$    | <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">4</span> $j : \begin{cases} \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ x \mapsto  x  \end{cases}$                    | <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">7</span> $m : \begin{cases} [0, \pi] \rightarrow [0, 1] \\ x \mapsto  \cos(x)  \end{cases}$               |
| <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">2</span> $g : \begin{cases} \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ x \mapsto x^2 \end{cases}$  | <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">5</span> $k : \begin{cases} \mathbb{R}_+^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ x \mapsto \ln(x^2) - \ln(3x) \end{cases}$ | <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">8</span> $n : \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \\ x \mapsto 2x \end{cases}$                |
| <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">3</span> $h : \begin{cases} \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ x \mapsto 2x - 3 \end{cases}$ | <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">6</span> $l : \begin{cases} [0, \frac{\pi}{2}] \rightarrow [0, 1] \\ x \mapsto \sqrt{\sin(x)} \end{cases}$     | <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">9</span> $p : \begin{cases} \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \\ x \mapsto \lfloor x \rfloor \end{cases}$ |

### Exercise 4

Are the following functions surjective?

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| <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">1</span> $f : \begin{cases} \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ x \mapsto x^2 \end{cases}$ | <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">3</span> $h : \begin{cases} \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ x \mapsto 2x - 3 \end{cases}$ | <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">5</span> $k : \begin{cases} \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+ \\ x \mapsto \sqrt{e^x} \end{cases}$ | <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">7</span> $m : \begin{cases} \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \\ x \mapsto \lfloor x \rfloor \end{cases}$ |
| <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">2</span> $g : \begin{cases} \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow [0, 1] \\ x \mapsto x^2 \end{cases}$   | <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">4</span> $j : \begin{cases} \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+ \\ x \mapsto  x  \end{cases}$  | <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">6</span> $l : \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \\ x \mapsto 2x \end{cases}$           |  |

### Exercise 5

Consider the function  $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  defined by

$$z \mapsto z^3 - 1$$

- 1 Is the function  $f$  injective?
- 2 Justify that the function  $f$  is surjective.
- 3 What are the preimages of 7 under  $f$ ?

## Exercise 6

Prove that the following functions are bijective. For  $f$ ,  $h$  and  $k$ , find their inverses.

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| <p>[1] <math>f : \begin{cases} [0; +\infty[ \rightarrow [-5, +\infty[ \\ x \mapsto x^2 - 5 \end{cases}</math></p> | <p>[3] <math>h : \begin{cases} ]6, +\infty[ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+^* \\ x \mapsto \frac{1}{x-6} \end{cases}</math></p> | <p>[4] <math>k : \begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{R}^2 &amp; \longrightarrow &amp; \mathbf{R}^2 \\ (x, y) &amp; \mapsto &amp; (x+y, x-y). \end{array}</math></p> |
| <p>[2] <math>g : \begin{cases} \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ x \mapsto \sin(x) + 2x \end{cases}</math></p> |  |  |

## Exercise 7

Consider the following function:

$$f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad x \mapsto x^2 + 3x - 4.$$

- [1] Is it injective? Surjective?
- [2] Determine  $I$  and  $J$ , two intervals not reduced to a point such that  $g = f|_I^J$  is bijective.
- [3] Give an expression for  $g^{-1}$ .

## Exercise 8

Consider the function:

$$f : \mathbb{C} \setminus \{2i\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \quad z \mapsto \frac{z^2}{z-2i}.$$

- [1] Find the preimages of  $1+i$  under  $f$ .
- [2] Is  $f$  injective? Surjective? Bijective? Justify your answer.

## Exercise 9

Let  $E$  and  $F$  be two sets and  $f : E \rightarrow F$  a function.

- [1] Let  $(A, B) \in \mathcal{P}(E)^2$ .
  - (a) Show that  $A \subseteq B \Rightarrow f(A) \subseteq f(B)$ . Is the converse true?
  - (b) Show that  $f(A \cup B) = f(A) \cup f(B)$ .
  - (c) Show that  $f(A \cap B) \subseteq f(A) \cap f(B)$ . Is there equality?
- [2] Let  $(C, D) \in \mathcal{P}(F)^2$ .
  - (a) Show that  $C \subseteq D \Rightarrow f^{-1}(C) \subseteq f^{-1}(D)$ . Is the converse true?
  - (b) Show that  $f^{-1}(C \cap D) = f^{-1}(C) \cap f^{-1}(D)$ .
  - (c) Show that  $f^{-1}(C \cup D) \subseteq f^{-1}(C) \cup f^{-1}(D)$ . Is there equality?

## Exercise 10

Consider the function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , defined by  $x \mapsto x^2$ .

Find the following sets :

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(\{1\}), f([1, 4]), \quad f^{-1}([-1, 4]), \quad f(f^{-1}([-1, 4])), \quad f^{-1}(f([1, 4])), \\ f([-3, -1] \cap [-2, 1]), \quad f^{-1}(-\infty, 2] \cap [1, +\infty[ \end{aligned}$$

## Exercise 11

Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be the function defined by  $f(x) = x - \lfloor x \rfloor$ . Give the image of  $\mathbb{R}$  under  $f$ .

## Exercise 12

1 Give two functions  $f$  and  $g$  such that  $h = f \circ g$  in the following cases:

(a)  $h(x) = \sqrt{x^2 + 3}$

(b)  $h(x) = \cos(\ln(x))$

(c)  $h(x) = (3x + e^x)^5$

2 Let  $f$  and  $g$  be two functions from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$  defined by:

$$f(x) = 3x + 1 \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = x^2 - 1.$$

Say whether  $g \circ f$  and  $f \circ g$  exist.

3 Do the same for the functions  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x \mapsto e^x$ , and  $g : \mathbb{R}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^*$ ,  $x \mapsto \frac{1}{x}$ .

4 Let  $f : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  be given by  $x \mapsto \frac{x}{x+1}$ , and let  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ . Determine  $f \circ f \circ \dots \circ f(x)$  (applied  $n$  times).

## Exercise 13

Consider the functions:

$$f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}, \quad n \mapsto 2n,$$
$$g : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}, \quad n \mapsto \begin{cases} \frac{n}{2} & \text{if } n \text{ is even,} \\ \frac{n+1}{2} & \text{if } n \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

1 Are  $f$  and  $g$  injective? Surjective?

2 Determine  $g \circ f$  and  $f \circ g$ .

## Exercise 14

Let  $f$  be defined as:  $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $n \mapsto n + (-1)^n$ .

1 Calculate  $f \circ f$ . What can be deduced about  $f$ ?

2 Solve the equation:  $347 = n + (-1)^n$  where  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

## Exercise 15

Let  $a$  be a real number. Consider the following function:  $f_a : \mathbb{R} \setminus \{a\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x \mapsto \frac{1}{x-a} + a$ .

1 Show that the image of the function  $f_a$  is included in  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{a\}$ .

2 Compute  $f_a \circ f_a$ . What can we conclude? Illustrate the result graphically.

## Exercise 16

Let  $E, F, G$  be three sets, and let  $f : E \rightarrow F$  and  $g : F \rightarrow G$  be two functions. Show that:

1  $g \circ f$  is injective  $\implies f$  is injective.

2  $g \circ f$  is surjective  $\implies g$  is surjective.

3  $(g \circ f \text{ is injective and } f \text{ is surjective}) \implies g \text{ is injective.}$

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